" Since Columbus first looked upon San Salvador, the earth has but one emotion of triumph left in her bestowal; and that she reserves for him who shall first drink from the fountains of the White Nile, under the snow fields of Kilimandjaro." Such was the opinion graphical problem hinted at therein has since tion of the Nile. been solved, and that triumphant emotion felt. In 1862, Captains Speke and Grant, two officers of the East Indian service, penetrated to the sources of the Bahr-el-Abiad, or White Nile, finding them in the feeding springs of the recently discovered lake of Central Africa, lying immediately south of the equator, the Victoria Nyanza; and thus the secret which Nature at last revealed.

Through the long lapse of time just mentioned, the Nile has been a famous river, and in the lower portion of its course well-known to the inhabitants of the earth. From its entrance into the Mediterranean sea by several arms; in N. L. 31°, it has, since the earliest days of history, been traced through the lands of Egypt and its southern neighbor, Nubia, receiving in the latter country, first, the tributary waters of the Atbara, or Black River, and then, higher up, those of the Bahr-el-Azrek. or Blue Nile. Geographical research, mounting its stream still farther, found it swollen by junction with the Sobat, about nine degrees the latter river, its stream has been ascended to a point some eighty miles south of Gondokoro, a Roman Catholic mission, situate in N. L. 4° 58', leaving the upper portion of its course to its origin a matter of conjecture. And, this Nero Cæsar sent out in their quest two centu- of ruin. rions, whose discoveries, as recounted by Seneca in his Questiones Naturales, render it highly probable, that they attained to the very lake, since visited by Captains Speke and Grant.

The Egyptian geographer, Claudius Ptolemy, lakes south of the equator and north of the ous points in question, are pardonably vague, Krapf, about 90 due east therefrom, to be the ter | the rank of the nations. mini of a continuous chain. But it was rewhence the Nile issues forth, and then, following its course, he continued down by Gondokoro, and through Nubia, into Egypt. Thus, the four hundred miles of unexplored region, which lay between the head-waters of the Nile and the highest known point upon its banks have been traversed, and the mystery of its origin exists no longer.

And now, that the problem of the sources of the Nile has been solved-now that it has been trace-i to its parent-springs in that far-off equatorial basin, will it cease to be an object of curious interest to the children of men, and will its solemn waves no longer reflect back the outspread sails of the thousands whom a quest of pleasure, or a love for scientific research hitherto caused to navigate its waters? No. As long as those waters course their way to the Mediterranean, so long will the Nile continue to be the goal of eager and delighted travel; so long will it prove a source of wonder deep and manifold to the nations. Its magnitude secured for it an especial notice in the days of antiquity; and its fructifying uprisings, year after year, prompted the dwellers along its banks to recognize in it a beneficent divinity; until, in the mythology of Mizraim, the gods whose altars appealed successfully for the most cherished worship was the trinity of Isis Osiris, and the Nile. And as it be, a sacred river

As the Tiber was to Rome, as the Ganges is to Hindostan, so was the Nile to ancient Egypt, -so is it now to the world. Its old-time worshipers slumber in their mummied cerements in catacombs long hidden upon its banks. and the temples reared in its honor are, with each ensuing year, buried deeper beneath the sands of the encroaching desert. But, blending itself with the recollections of other creeds. the Nile still rolls on, with placid and eternal

The descendant of Israel recalls to mind the went down into Egypt to buy corn, and became men of note in the land, until "there arose up a new king which knew not Joseph." Then, in the dream of tyranny and humiliation and servitude which followed, he pictures, in his imagination, the deliverer, at first a child, hidden away in an ark of bulrushes amid the flags of the river, and called Moses because he was providentially drawn from its waters; and, afterwards, a man, "learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians," smiting the Nile, until "all the waters that were in the river were turned into blood; and the fish that was in the river died: and the river stank, and the Egyptians

could not drink of the water of the river." The follower of the babe born in Bethlehem where that fiery orb pours forth his most confills up the hiatus left by the Evangelist, and stant rays, and jealously forbids the smallest of Israel immediately out of bondage; but sufficient to show that all those colonies conin fancy traces the gambols of the child-Christ cloud to darken the life-day of his beloved, or forty years they wandered in the wilderness, demned it as a high crime! But the young pression, and poetic inspiration, with which though he were an elephant; and as negro Conalong the banks of the sacred river. Along the slightest rain to cool the ardor of his pay. until prepared to enter a land of freedom. So independent Republic, while unfurling the ban- they drape their borrowed materials; and al- servatives are said to live in peace in Virginia, of Mahomet, holding the Nile-land in vice- river borders are preserved from the neighbor- These privileges will prove the savor of life tracted space of time that we tampered with acter.



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as his; and if anyone demands proof of his came the granaries of Rome.

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expressed by the American traveler, Bayard as to their possessions. Let each in succession is the result, recalling to mind those patriarchal as his worth demands, a man, whether Ethioin so much of emancipation as to secure by created as it was, simply for the perusal of the them, and hold them up to the colored men as Central African wanderings. The great geo- glory; and each will, in its turn, make men- of the earth, * * * and all countries came of his fellow-man.

phrates to the Nilotic shows. Ethiopia, under gorgeous vegetation of the sunny South. On thou." the nomadic tribes occupying the lands watered acacia blooms and the rose sheds its delicious dence, if they would read the history of this had guarded through five thousand years was by the lower portion of the Nile, were compelled to acknowledge its supremacy. The kingdom of Mizraim, or Egypt, thus formed, immediately launched out upon a career of empire. the resurrection of an all-beneficent Osiris. sway by foreign conquests, or aggrandized its sive civilizations of which thou wast the silent power by mighty works at home. One of these witness, take it as an emblem, that the land Sesostris, or Rhamses, triumphed over the an- the riddle of its Sphinx shall be solved, and its cestral empire of Babylon, and extended his Memnon be musical once more at the dawning dominions until they claimed the Ganges as of a brighter day? their eastern boundary.

The might of those Egyptian monarchs was further illustrated by the erection of the Sphinx and other immense statues, the temthe accession of various branches, until its ples, and the pyramids whose huge proportions still exist to strike the voyager of the Nile north of the equator. Above the junction with | with admiring awe, and to dwarf the architectural displays of later times into Lilliputian littleness. But, alas for the Nile and its on dwellers! Alas for the power that strove to vie with nature in Titanic creations, to laugh to scorn the ravages of Time, and to claim for its conjecture has not been a listlessly indifferent works the impress and duration of eternity. one. Julius Cæsar, according to the poet Lu. The Persian came; and throughout the realm can, declared that he would willingly sacrifice of the Pharaohs, the armies of Cambyses all his political aspirations, in order to set out wrought such devastation as an earthquake upon a search for the sources of the Nile; and does, when rioting most wildly in its career of particulars has this prophecy been fulfilled.

But the Nile was destined to recognize another lord. The expedition of Sesostris against Babylon was fated to a like retribution in the return of the descendants of Cecrops and Danaus. Egypt, the child of the empire of Nimasserted, that the Nile took its rise from two rod, had, in her turn, sent off colonies to Greece; and now the dynasty of the Persian was doomed Mountains of the Moon, a range, according to to give place to that Grecian supremacy won him, extending east and west; and it may be by the spear of the Macedonian Alexander. He. said, without any detraction from the glory of flushed with the conquest of the rest of the world. the late discoveries, that his information upon and vaunting himself the son of its mightiest the matter was substantially accurate. His god, the all-powerful Ammon, claimed the land notions in reference to the latitude of the vari. of the Nile as his legitimate heritage. At his death, this portion of his dominions came unin view of the infancy of geographical science der the sceptre of the Ptolemies; and, for when he wrote and, it may with probability nearly three centuries, the princes of that regal be surmised, that his bold imagination assumed family, mingling a Hellenic grace with the the crescent-shaped mountain discovered by grandeur that had ever characterized the Captain Speke, north of Lake Tanganyika and genius and spirit of this, their African acqui the snow-crowned Mount Kenia seen by Dr sition, secured for Egypt a foremost place in

And, to this page in the Egyptian his served for Captain Speke, who had, in a previ- tory, the world must ever recur with grateful ous expedition, discovered the Lake Victoria regard. For, in the Ptolemaic annals, we find Nyanza, to verify by actual exploration his recorded some of the brightest names that ever conjectures then formed, that this Lake was the illustrated the course of scientific research. parent-spring of the Nile. Starting from Zan- Astronomy, the divine lore of the Chaldeans. zibar on the East African coast, he proceeded found here its most successful exponent in which none are bound to respect. to the Lake, journeyed along its western and Claudius Ptolemy; and the kindred science of northern borders, until he arrived at the point geography was equally, if not, indeed, in a the civil and political doctrines of this country, to such laws as might check so very pernicious weighty obligations to this epoch; and, grate- years. Many there are who predicted the failfully, over the names of the Samian Pytha- ure of this enterprise and re-enslavement of the goras and of the Athenian Plato, do they still people; but God has silenced the false prosuperscribe that of the Egyptian Euclid. And phets and swept away the refuge of lies. of the Isidian priesthood, wandered to Greece placed there by Heaven; and the same power the surest pledge of the happiness of all his land, a talent increased a thousand-fold, to be the lamented Lincoln fell by the hand of the House doth agree with the committee in the andrian library.

victorious flight in conflict at the foot of the What more can we ask?

Nile has other peculiar claims to be regarded have attained maturity. a mighty torrent sweeping on with its wealth of people.

And yet Egypt is, emphatically, 'The land of the east, the clime of the sun.'

those banks, too, at a later day, when Jupiter sion. Why, then, does not the Nile-region be. we are being educated by the events of the ner of liberty, bound it as an absolute instituand the rest of the Olympians have become come, like its hapless sister, Sahara, a scorched age to new duties. dishonored gods, he hears the voice of the and blackened and desolated waste? Solely There is much for us to do; we must Christian patriarch of Alexandria swell in because it is the Nile region. Blessed by its "Act, act in the living present. mighty and influential tones. The successor inundations, those straitened and showerless

scarcely subdued, now smiles upon that realm the granaries of Stamboul as formerly they be- ings. "As we sow, so shall we reap."

call to prayer, intoned so loudly that the songs the summer solstice, does the Nile, through the despair; but thank God and take courage. We nical grasp; and it was the national talons that the spontaneous productions of genius,—a state of humbled Zion are almost silenced, and the agency of the rains which fall in the districts cannot hope to accomplish much without diffichanted liturgy of the Eastern church with immediately north of the equator, commence culties, and even failures; we must not expect, of woe! Can we expect more mercy than we towards independent creations, and contrary to days to buy him to be a slave. But if the Nile thus necessarily blends itself continues until the time of the autumnal equi- sphere of existence and have our anticipations It is already suggested that emancipation an art of which genius is the sole master. The with the history of the religious creeds, that nox; and then, the flood, having remained stahave characterized the varying civilizations of tionary for about fifteen days, commences to privations. We must fight to achieve the in the language of one of the defenders of the fourteenth century, was burdened with the conjurity of them in this vicinity are regarded by which this earth has been the theatre, it is recede, returning, about the middle of the en- grand results. none the less intimately connected with the suing May, to its lowest level. The age demands activity in church and dictive decree of universal emancipation."* languages,—the Latin, the Norman-French This strange course of the men who have been into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn, because But to whom ascribe the glory of these great tude, sends up his full chorus to heaven, not at all singular, that the productions of our that, after all, the Democrats of the South are the colonization of Thoth, or Hermes, thus every hand the graceful palm-tree is seen to It seems to me, if there are any present who became a power in the earth; and soon after, wave; and beneath its spreading shade, the are skeptical as to the doctrines of Divine Provi-

ancient dwellers upon thy banks saw typified to an Invisible Power actuating the hearts and range of beauty, grandeur and wealth, these, English literature. Under its Kings or Pharaohs, it enlarged its May not those who now profit by the succes-Pharachs, known in history by the name of thou lovest is not hopelessly dead-that yet,

The New Epoch.

Sermon by Rev. W. H. Abbott, of North Rus sell street Zion Church, Boston, April 3, 1870

Mr. Abbott selected as his text Psalms XC. 1; 2, and proceeded to attest, that the rapid progress and developments of the present age, guided by an invisible but divine influence, history! But what of the past? Let us re- observer, that the country has ample means to were but omens of what must inevitably follow. view the verdiet of the American people them-

pia shall stretch forth her hand unto God." It upon the colonies by the tyrannical British in the South, give them houses upon those seems, when the Psalmist uttered those prophecies, he was looking into this age of the world's

The ignorance and prejudice of the past, baneful than Egyptian darkness, is being traffic superseded by the salutary influences of truth and justice.

The light which has been shining unknown. unseen amid the darkness of the past, is gradually spreading and chasing away those errors; and in the future we shall see the great truths more clearly exemplified-" God has made all men free and equal." We, my Christian friends, have entered another existence, a new sphere of action. To us, as a people and part and happiness of your subjects in the colonies, of this great Republic, the old regime passed away on the 27th day of February, 1870.

"Old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." We can, indeed, look on a new heaven and a new earth; this world

of race, color, or previous condition of servi-

cruel lash of the task-master, having rights How rapid have been the developments of greater degree, indebted to his investigations. since the close of the late war! Truly we have a commerce. The mathematical sciences, too, were under lived years in a few months-centuries in a few

letters, the conserver of every art and of every Those who have occupied the presidential science, taking their origin in the hieroglyphics | chair during this great contest, have been | Kings, whose wisdom and goodness we esteem with Cadmus, and returned from that gifted at the appointed time removed them. When People. stored away in the treasure-house of the Alex- assassin, the nation mourned his loss. Had God spared his life, the grief of the nation would Yet, all this sum of benefaction could not have been more poignant. He had finished the his Excellency the Governor, to desire that he secure permanency to the Ptolemaic rule. The work God ordained. Possessed of a mind far will be pleased to transmit the address to his dynasty which had come in with the world- in advance of the people, he would have worked he shall think most likely to promote the deconqueror, Alexander, passed away in the sui- too fast; and the result would have been anar- sirable end proposed." cidal sighs of the world-enslaver, Cleopatra; chy and discord. To succeed him, God selected and the region of the Nile acknowledged the one of weak and vacillating temperament, one Divine legislature. In this, restitution is re-Roman as its master. For more than six hun- thing to-day, something else to morrow, trying quired for a breach of justice and a natural dred years it continued to share the varying to please both friends and enemies, until the human right; and the offense is the more agglory of the Cæsars; and, then, fell a prey to nation was brought to a condition, the result gravated by being continued and legalized by the Saracens, under whose sway it can recall, of which was strife and confusion. He was the law-making power of the newly-formed as connected with its history, the magnificence then removed, and another, a man, one worof Haroun-al-Raschid, and the knightly cour- thy to fill the position, was chosen; and during

before it -a conflict with the fell powers of the arena with our fellow men, fighting life's bat- over 4,000,000 persons.

with these privileges come new and great re- have continued. sponsibilities. He did not carry the children

to swell the volume of its waters. The rise my Christian friends, to enter upon our new have shown?

principal political powers that have held sway height of this rise is about twenty-four feet, State—universality of purpose—unity of ac- And what has been done by way of restitution? and the English; and considering the fact, that therein. The Nile is emphatically the river of although it sometimes attains to that of thirty. It is true that the shallow stream has been the vernacular, possessing as it did scarcely any be accounted for because they think it will empire. Summon back the successive imperial Skould it—as unfortunately it sometimes hap- having rights that all are not only bound, but slowly rippling over its pebbles of political vir- claims upon the literature of the age, together bring them into society by despising the negro. dominations of this world and question them pens—be only eighteen feet in height, a famine willing to respect; each loved and appreciated tue for near a century, and has found its level with the exclusiveness of literary property, But how mistaken! The Democrats wont trust ennunciate its realms as the evidences of its days when "the famine was over all the face pian or Anglo Saxon, commanding the respect final legislation the slave's (but now freedman's) learned, whose language was not that of the evidence of Northern Republicanism; and

The Asiatic civilization first manifested itself that the famine was so sore in all lands." The changes in the Government? Is it the work of in the establishment of the Babylonian empire; banks of the river, irrigated by these inunda- God or man? I reply, to God the Judge Eterand, in course of time, seeking other fields for tions, and enriched by the alluvium deposited nal, who rules the armies of the Heavens; its development, extended itself from the Eu- by the receding waters, are luxuriant in all the none can stay his hand, or say "what doest mains for the nation to do an act, endorsing the with "considerable infusion of the scholastic not get the friendship of this generation of

minds of men to noble results.

"Let us then be up and doing. With a heart for any fate, Still achieving, still pursuing Learn to labor and to wait.

Can Human Slavery be Justifiable?

BY GUL, JACOBUS.

The fifteenth amendment is now become the fundamental law for securing equal rights in citizenship. Alas! for the freedman! the franchise to all citizens without respect of persons, and to secure to them a right of assent in the laws by which they are to be governed. This is well done! and peans of triumph prived and punished! will never fail to salute this grand epoch of our " Princes shall come out of Egypt, and Ethio- fled protest-when that system was imposed

> The following is a verbatim copy of a petition of the Burgesses of Virginia

Wednesday, April 1st, 1772. "Most Gracious Sovereign: We, your majesty's dutiful and loval subjects, the Burgesses of Virginia, now in general assembly, beg leave with all humility to approach your | * A. H. Stephens. royal presence. The many instances of your njesty's benevolent intentions, and most gracious disposition to promote the prosperity encourage us to look up to the throne, and implore your Majesty's paternal assistance, in The importation of slaves into the colonies

Restrictions and prohibitions "on account | istence of your Majesty's American dominions, tude," are non plus. We now stand free and subjects in Great Britain may reap emolument untrammelled; the world with its advantages that it greatly retards the settlement of the coland privileges is now freely offered to us, and onies with more white inhabitants, and may in we are elevated to a platform loftier, broader, time have the most destructive influence, we nobler; on an equality with all, second to none. presume to hope, that the interest of a few will the security and happiness of such numbers of this vast Republic, forced to serve under the your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects.

Deeply impressed with these sentiments, we most humbly beseech your Majesty, to remove

Your Majesty's ancient colony and dominion occasion, been entirely devoted to your Majes cannot forego this opportunity of renewing those assurances of the truest lovalty, and warmest affection, which we have so often, with he greatest sincerity, given to the best of

Resolved, nemine contradicente. That the

tesy of Saladin. And, at a later day, since it his short administration, how much has been principle, all that a nation can now do in the has been under the banner of the crescent, it accomplished: he has finished the work so case is, to remove all the effects produced by has witnessed the Gallic eagles winging their long commenced. The nation is now free, its oming in the past, and wipe off this plague-sp t clean from the land. It is not Pyramids, and then, drooping their pinions in We have conferred upon us the highest and enough merely to say to those victims, "Be ye was then reguled, so is it now, so will it ever defeat before the fierce onslaught of the British noblest gift it is in the power of any govern- free!" but here must be a full and entire the prosaic details of execution and invention- will vote the Democratic ticket. The white lion, upon the waters of the Egyptian river. ment to bestow-the right of citizenship, the omancipation of those living injured people, In the annals of empire, can any other river noblest aspiration of our manhood. What a who must be redressed to the fullest extent of present so marked, so memorable a record as change! These results have far exceeded the the nation's ability; or, who can doubt but earnest expectations of the most sanguine. that the law will be executed with fearful retri-But, apart from its historic associations, the Thoughts and ideas in embryo to-day, to-morow bution? For it is written "a hand for a hand," of their productions, improve upon and surpass With this record, and without any amendment which is taking the advantage of the destitute "a tooth for a tooth," and we may append as an object of interest to the traveler. Its A few years ago, a man, whose only sin was "stripe for stripe," "life for life," and so on.

majestic current, through the last seventeen the color of his skin, was denied entrance to When the war for independence was rowned hundred miles of its course, presents, among the sanctum sanctorum of the nation, to-day with victory, and the foreign yoke was broken, the rivers of the earth, the unique instance of he fills a chair in that hall-sent there by the the first great error committed was, that the institution of slavery, so detested by the peo-

armies of desolation. But the Nile, whether, of the United States has been ratified, the was a war measure, and to the effect that those as at first, in raging rapids, or, as subsequently. President has issued his proclamation; let us States that were not represented in Congress smile of defiant triumph, while it rescues its indifferent on the other; let us be careful to slaves; then, those States not included with narrow valley from the invading sands, and cultivate assiduously the means employed for those declared in insurrection, remained un-

of justice. Mercy was shown during the proplots their great conceptions of life and chartracted space of time that we tampered with

acter.

cause it is said that, although money is "air surviving witness of the fray, "Did this man tight," there is an abundance to buy a negro kill himself before he fired at this lady, or not?"

slave power; "wrenched from" us "by a vin- temporaneous existence of three different the colored people as their worst enemies.

"Glory be to God !" offering? It was God set them free! It-re- the influences of the Norman-French, together tunes in the South, in any sphere of life, canliberation not merely in word, but in deed, as theology" derived from the Latin teachings of Southerners who acted in good faith with the tution as best it can!

country, of the various changes and events money, homes, your wives, families and friends, which the art of translation was cultured, ren-O sacred Nile! in thy annual uprising, the which have transpired here, they would confess your institutions, and enjoyed this continental dered them legal woof for the early warp of win favor in the South. through the entire history of the Republic prisonment, turned loose, degraded, poor abjects, for whom no one feels responsible, with the plume of liberty stuck in the old leather cap of slavery, to eke out a more wretched existence in contending with the malevolence of their former owners, and no proper aid to enable them to acquire the common privilege of

"No foot of land does he possess, A stranger in the wilderness, pursued from the highways as a vagrant, de

It must be apparent to the least attentive compensate these freed slaves and give them selves, when slavery fell under their unquali- the habilitation of citizens. Give them institutions of learning, give them homestead lands government. These people were then only in lands, transportation, materia medica, and a position to petition that government against means to progress in civilization. Enable them history, yea, even beyond, as already in some the system of slavery; when, in the true bold to settle permanently in the South, and their ness of moral right, the Burgesses of Virginia labor on the barren wastes will produce gold expressed their disapproval of the human that will pay off the national debt. Hear no more objections-no more absurd parley of castes and color and texture, &c. Resort no more to subterfuge, -it will not avert the course of inexorable justice. Neither is it a mere theory that every nation suffers for unrestituted wrongs they have done.

Early English Literature.

BY GEORGE RICE.

English literature since the days of Chancer | sent, because they are facts, because of their | in six months. The colored man wants a good has experienced many different changes; and relationship to the peace and good government leader. She has about one hundred and fifty it is neculiarly interesting to trace the varying of the South, and because of their bearing on scholars under splendid discipline. phases of its development, from the quaint and the future safety of the Government. Accicurious blossoms of Anglo-Saxon to the pres- dentally or providentially, we cannot say which, only on the days (twice a week) when the ent day. Those times of five hundred years | we find ourself in the city of Fredericksburg, ago were not wholly unlike ours. It is hardly remarkable in the past as having once been the corn, for corn is really king here. It is the probable that in the ruins of Pompeii or Her- home of the Washington family, and the home substitute for money. It is as gold dust used culaneum we should stumble upon the time- of James Munroe; remarkable in the present to be in California. Everything is bought and surviving remnants of a steam engine or a sew- history of the country as having been the scene | sold on corn, cash or credit. But by some mysing machine. It would surprise us greatly if of one of the most desperate battles of the re- terious Providence, last year king corn failed, we did, and go far toward removing the hon- bellion, as having left as a monument to its and corn planters lost their credit, lost the be disregarded, when placed in competition with ored busts of a few great men, who stand se- memory a national cemetery, its eternal pic- confidence of their laborers, because they failed cure in the niche of fame their pure originality turesque appearance being transcendantly to comply with their contracts; men unwilling has chiseled for them. Antiquity has veiled grand; its internal being a becatomb of hu- to hire unless paid by the month. Merchants herself with an illusionary mist of romance; man frames; the representatives of more than unwilling to credit because of their inability all these restraints on your Majesty's govern- and while time eats like an insidious worm into fifteen thousand loyal souls who died that the to collect under the Virginia stay law; hence ors of this Colony, which inhibit their assenting the material evidences of the past, there are Republic may live. some things that even time is dainty enough to refrain from devouring; and wandering through the quaint language of one that sung white, and about three hundred loyal colored ers are glad to find employment for fifty cents even before Chaucer, we find in the "Vision of

> "That serveden at the barre Pleteden for penyes And poundes the lurre, And nought for love of our Lord. Unlose hire lippes ones, Thow myghtest bettre meet myst On Malverne hille, Than gete a mom of hire mouth Till moneie be shewed.'

and scenes of to-day, but, judging from its past, it seems difficult to reconcile two of its most prominent features-origin and development. In it we find few evidences of the intricacies of

waters, unenriched by the offerings of a single We look from the past and present into the ple, and tyranically imposed upon them, was expression, but a lack of creation in regard to colored men were not to be caught in. Not not be filled at all; yet we hope for the better tributary. From the moment that it receives future, and judge what will follow. "Coming not abolished, but allowed to remain from 1776 the materials of their productions. As a having strength enough of their own, in conthe affluent tide of the Atbara, or Black river, events cast their shadows before." We have to 1863 before any act of the legislature as learned author, criticising the poems of Shel-nection with the white Republicans, they preit marches on, like a warrior-king, confident of now the shadow, then we shall be face to face, passed to release from bondage a race of people, ton, finds in them "a pure and sometimes vighis strength. And yet a fearful contest lies occupying the same positions in the world's grown in the space of eighty-seven years to orous English style, when the poet can free and let the F. F. V.'s be paid off in their own House flying at half mast in honer to the mem. Desert. On either hand, the mountains—the tles side by side, and reaping its sorrows and And do we stand in this action with evidence dantry, but they are destitute of invention," men fo force them to vote the Democratic About one hundred yards beyond, and about Libyan range and the Arabian chain—rear joys.

their lofty crests—the giant outposts of the their lofty crests—the giant lofty crests—the gian well as writers thought more of borrowed than support aristocratic rebels for office is also a fiantly at the mast head. We hear that Richoriginal conceptions, and placed learning higher failure. What next? Fredericksburg is as mond is on, to capture the Supreme Judge, as in scornfully majestic flow, flashes back its not boast too much on the one hand, or be too by the 1st of January, 1863, should lose their than invention." It will thus be seen, that a strongly rebel to-day as it was on the day of Georgia is on to capture Congress. We shall careful research into the sources from which the memorable defeat of Burnside. There is look into it and let you know how can these our first authors drew their plots and construct not, in fact, one loval newspaper in the city. things be, and what are the signs of their comcauses it to become the garden-spot of the our elevation; let us use and not abuse these disturbed in the possession of their slaves; tive materials, will reveal the fact that they, A newspaper claiming to be loyal is published ing, in our next. privileges. Thank God! that he is dealing and suppose that all the so included States had like us, had their "old masters,"—the Italian here, but its editor dare not publish one sentiwith us as he is. He will not burden us; for returned upon that proclamation, slavery would literature, of which Bocaccio's Decameron, and ment in favor of the Republican party. If he other preceding and cotemporary works, fur- does, his paper is returned, and he notified the brella in the other, and a shawl hanging over Argument may be prolonged, but it may be nished the most ready material. But we are subscription has ceased. If a strange negro his arm, accosted one of the street gamins with tion to the country by legislation, aside from originality, we find the more beautiful and sion. If the Republicans get hold of him the Constitution! Then it is a nation's sin! pleasing evidences of genius in the works of first, bet your life they will never leave him day

\$2.50 a year in advance 5 Copies for \$10. regal leash, a lion of Africa, captive, yet ing aridity which threatens them, and become unto life, or death to our hopes of future bless the rights of millions of human beings who Before and even some time after the birth of are our fellow men, and were equally entitled pure English literature, the standard literature We as a people can hasten or retard our pro- to the privileges of natural law with ourselves! consisted chiefly of translations, being the elabsovereignty, let him hearken to the muezzin's With each succeeding year, at the period of gress; it will be dark-sometimes almost to These have writhed in their pain, in our tyran-orate compositions of educated men, and not

> the true law of literature, which elevates it to franchise, for which the freed slave, in grati- people, but Latin, Norman and French, it is many of these poor people are made to believe first English authors should bear the "stamp | their best friends. But where is the merit? Is it a free-will and character of the chivalric attributable to "fruits meet for repentance," and make resti- the Monks, to say nothing of the oriental, Ital- rebellion. Nothing but Southern poverty ian, and ancient Gallic traditions, legends and forces the sale of land to Northern farmers and Forget not, that while you have had your romances, which owing to the great favor with speculators. Hence the Northern adventurers

> Take Chaucer, for instance, and we find in were, without charge or crime, bound to invol- him the same dispositions to draw the mate as to set up shop in Fredericksburg and exuntary toil! And now, after a century's im- rials, on which to base his productions, from pect to find them there; and yet this old city previous models.

> > Shaw, in his manual of English Literature, ascribes the most important of Chancer's works mance models." The "Romance of the Rose," French allegory " Le Roman de la Rose;" the tion, "How do you put out the fire ?" the reply traces of the old masters, especially Dante, prise. Petrarch and Bocaccio.

> > And similar features are exhibited in the works of the Bard of Avon. In a majority of church doing business-Baptist. The pastor his productions, he unquestionably builds upon of which, whose name is said to be Dickson, in the ground-work of others. But his creative company with the gentleman who used to be genius, in the light of these facts, seems all the the negro buyer, has gone down South with a greater; for beneath the mighty touches of his number of colored laborers of the town, under master hand, the plots and constructive mate- contract to deliver them in Texas at so much rials of his productions disappear, and we see a head. The colored people here are praying only those grander pictures of human life and that he may be provided with a home down character, with which he has crowned our lit- there, that will not admit of his return.

The South as it is in Virginia.

note the moral, political, religious, social and may be-and cursed by the rebels. Twelve white industrial condition of the South, we invite a Republicans like her, of the masculine gender, careful consideration of the facts that we pre-

Fredericksburg to-day can boast of having within her loyal precincts, six loyal citizens, mined by these figures. Just now, we find this | mechanics that can be found in the country. city exceedingly troubled with an election that tickets are about to enter the field. One is It is an old-fashioned wood cut, and no great laboring men. The latter ticket bids for the

of ideal transposition seem incompatible with or seek employment on conditions that they backs just as we prefer it. twin proofs of genius. I do not wish to be un- workingmen finding this prejudice existing, to fifty dollars per acre, the best land in Virderstood as inferring the absence of these quali- form an association, and declare that they will ginia is now changing hands and it is all going ties; for Chaucer, Shelton, Spencer, Shakes- not work with negroes, which had the effect of into the hands of the Northerners. The most speare, and their contemporaries, in a majority | turning a great many more out of employment. | labor that is being employed is by this capital. the sources from which they drew their ma- of their constitution, or their sympathies for condition of the laborers. It is really a hard colored men to labor, they nominate a full job to find a consistent Republican in some of The close observer of the material structure | ticket, with the exception of three Councilmen, | these counties except he has a dark skin; even of our early literature will find, from Chancer | composed of men of the strongest Democratic | the men holding Government positions; in fact down through Shakespeare, a peculiar lack of record—the three Councilmen to be nominated in some villages if the office should not be filled. originality, not as to conception or beauty of by the colored men. This was a ruse that the until you found a resident Republican, it would himself from the trammels of Latinizing pe- coin. The experiment of turning off colored ory of the old hero and patriot, Gen. Thomas.

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But we must be "on to Richmond." A sud is shortly to take place. Two Democratic den change has taken place in some parts of the State. One year ago, a yankee, by general styled the F. F. V's., or the "first families of understanding, could not buy land in most parts Virginia," or the aristocrats; the other the of Virginia, but corn failing to be king, losing "Citizens' Ticket," composed of the white the majesty of his power, and leaving us in poverty and on the verge of bankruptev. Money compliment to the intervening five hundred colored, and, if supported by this vote, will must be had. If you have ever been in New years of civilization, that the original still lives, certainly be elected. But at a meeting of the England and got out at the way stations and while the curious jottings of old John Gower | colored men, who, by the way, have a Labor | heard the "little yanks" cry out "Sandwiches are sinking rapidly into the archives of the Union composed of nearly all the colored men | sir! Sandwiches sir," you can see in your past. And not only is the study of old English of the town, they declared that they would sup- immaginations, the real estate agents at the literature interesting, from the fact of finding port neither; and, contrary to all expectation, way stations on the road to Richmond, bolting in its deep resources prototypes of the men decided to run no ticket themselves. This we through the crowd crying out, like the Mariner must regard as one of the most sensible acts in the forecastle deck, "land ho" land sir of the colored men since their enfranchisement | Northerners; for I must now drop the term "Yank"-necessity has respectibility, and about The F. F. V's., who compose the wealth and half way to Richmond, we all use the term plot and construction attributable to the litera- control the business of Fredericksburg, have Northerners, for every man who comes from ture of to-day, but a web of elaborate expres- for some time been turning off colored help and any other quarter of the Globe but the South. sion, so deftly woven as to appear in some cases employing white, as it is claimed by the col- These are the desired customers, for they almazy and perplexing. Their ethereal powers ored men either to force them to leave the State, ways bring us the ready cash. Gold or green-

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The other day in Buffalo an excited individual with a carpet-bag in one hand, and an um-

Humors.-A Paris policeman being summoned into the presence of a man who had just shot himself dead, after severely wounding a the Constitution! Then it is a nation's sin! pleasing evidences of genius in the works of first, bet your life they will never leave him day and the bill of retribution is still in the hand those great authors who have woven from these or night until they see him safe on the cars, bein the case by excitedly demanding of the only